

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1046

By Watson

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Madyson Foster upon her crowning as Miss Tennessee Outstanding Teen.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should applaud those citizens, who through their extraordinary endeavors, are a credit to their respective families, communities, and to this state; and

WHEREAS, one such superlative person is Madyson Foster, who was recently crowned as Miss Tennessee Outstanding Teen; and

WHEREAS, along with her title, Miss Foster also received the Leah Beth Bolton Talent Scholarship Award and the Alpha TOT Scholarship Award for Outstanding Teen and will compete in the Miss America Outstanding Teen competition in August; and

WHEREAS, Madyson Foster is an outstanding student at Cleveland High School; she is an officer of the Anchor Club and a member of the National Honors Society, Beta Club, Yearbook Staff, Student Government Association, and Prom Committee, all while taking a total of ten honors classes; and

WHEREAS, her academic prowess has been noted with her selection as an alternate for Girl's State, her designation as a Raider Scholar for the past three years, and her participation as a peer tutor; and

WHEREAS, Miss Foster also possesses incredible dancing abilities and has received numerous accolades and opportunities in recognition of her talent, including the Kitty Sharp Merit Scholarship Award from the Tennessee Association of Dance, and has trained with several prestigious dance companies and programs, including the Orlando and Nashville Ballets, the Rockettes Summer Intensive, and the Tennessee Governor's School for the Arts;

she is also a member of the Senior Dance Company of Mountain Laurel Studios and dances with the Chattanooga Ballet; and

WHEREAS, Miss Foster has furthered her pursuit in the fine arts by training in piano and voice for the past ten years; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her school work and dance, Miss Foster still finds time to lend her amazing talents to such notable causes as the Ronald McDonald House, where she volunteers with her mother and became an official volunteer at the age of fourteen; she has organized several events to raise funds and collect needed items for the charity, such as the Common Cents program, which collects spare change from classrooms to raise money for the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile, and the item drive for the Ronald McDonald Make a Difference Day, in which she collected over one thousand items in October of 2006 and 2007; and

WHEREAS, Madyson Foster's displays of determination and inner drive surely bode well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Madyson Foster epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Miss Foster's praiseworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, D.J. and April Foster, her brother, Adam, and her entire community; and

WHEREAS, Madyson Foster's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of the members of this legislative body, who find it appropriate to pause in our deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Miss Foster for her dedication to the state of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Madyson Foster upon being crowned Miss Tennessee Outstanding Teen, applaud her for her meritorious service to the state of Tennessee, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.